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Dear Sir/Madam:

This patent application was filed with the Patent Office on November 1, 2001. Applicants filed a Reply on April 21, 2005 in light of the Interview Summary received from the Examiner regarding the Interview conducted between the Examiner and the Applicant on April 13, 2005. Applicants note that the Petition Decision dated February 18, 2005, granted withdrawal of finality of the Office Action mailed April 20, 2004. Applicants therefore await consideration of the Response filed July 23, 2004. No substantive communication has been received from the Patent Office since that date. Please inform the undersigned of the status of this application. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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